# EXHIBIT 4

# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

In re:

**PROMESA** Title III

THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND

MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO,

as representative of

THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, et al.

Debtors.<sup>1</sup>

Case No. 17 BK 3283 (LTS)

(Jointly Administered)

In re:

**PROMESA** Title III

THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO,

as representative of

Case No. 17 BK 4780 (LTS)

PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY,

Debtor.

RESPONSES AND OBJECTIONS TO OFFICIAL COMMITTEE OF UNSECURED CREDITORS' NOTICE OF DEPOSITION TO PUERTO RICO ELECTRIC POWER AUTHORITY IN CONNECTION WITH PREPA RSA RULE 9019 MOTION PURSUANT TO FED. R. CIV. P. 30(B)(6)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these Title III cases, along with each Debtor's respective Title III case number and the last four (4) digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, as applicable, are the (i) Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3283 (LTS)) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3481); (ii) Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation ("COFINA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3284 (LTS)) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 8474); (iii) Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority ("HTA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3567 (LTS)) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3808); (iv) Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("ERS") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-3566 (LTS)) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 9686); and (v) Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17-BK-4780 (LTS)) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3747) (Title III case numbers are listed as Bankruptcy Case numbers due to software limitations).

Pursuant to Rules 26 and 30(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure made applicable to this proceeding by Rules 7026, 7030, and 9014 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure pursuant to Section 310 of the Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act ("PROMESA"), the Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA") hereby responds and objects (the "Responses and Objections") to the *Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors' Notice of Deposition to Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority in Connection with PREPA RSA Rule 9019 Motion Pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(B)(6)*, served July 5, 2019 (the "Deposition Notice," and each individual deposition topic a "Topic") for July 22, 2019, which was served at the direction of the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors of all Title III Debtors (other than COFINA) (the "Committee").

#### PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

PREPA has not completed its formal discovery in this action. The Responses and Objections are based and will be based only upon the information that is currently available to and specifically known to PREPA as of the date hereof. PREPA reserves the right to amend or supplement the Responses and Objections at any time in light of future investigation, research, or analysis. PREPA has made reasonable efforts to respond to the Deposition Notice, to the extent it has not been objected to, as PREPA understands and interprets the Deposition Notice. If the Committee subsequently asserts an interpretation of the Deposition Notice that differs from that of PREPA's, PREPA reserves the right to supplement the Responses and Objections.

#### **GENERAL OBJECTIONS**

1. PREPA objects to the Deposition Notice, and to each and every Topic, as unduly burdensome to the extent that they do not seek information that is relevant or reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence relevant to the *Joint Motion of Puerto* 

Rico Electric Power Authority and AAFAF Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code Sections 362, 502, 922, and 928, and Bankruptcy Rules 3012(a)(1) and 9019 for Order Approving Settlements Embodied in the Restructuring Support Agreement and Tolling Certain Limitations Periods, dated May 10, 2019 [ECF No. 1235] (the "Rule 9019 Motion"), and relevant to the Supplemental Memorandum of Law and Facts in Support of Joint Motion of Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority and AAFAF Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code Sections 362, 502, 922, and 928, and Bankruptcy Rules 3012(a)(1) and 9019 for Order Approving Settlements Embodied in the Restructuring Support Agreement and Tolling Certain Limitations Periods [ECF No. 1425] (the "Supplemental Memorandum").

- 2. PREPA objects to the Deposition Notice, and to each and every Topic, to the extent they seek information that are not "relevant to any party's claim or defense and proportional to the needs of the case." Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(b)(1).
- 3. PREPA objects to the Deposition Notice, and to each and every Topic, to the extent that they purport to impose burdens on PREPA that are inconsistent with, not otherwise authorized by, or exceed those required by the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure as incorporated into the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, the local rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Puerto Rico, or this Court's chambers practices and case management orders (collectively, the "Governing Rules"). PREPA will construe and respond to the Deposition Notice and Topics in a manner consistent with its obligations under the Governing Rules, and not otherwise.
- 4. PREPA objects to each Definition to the extent it purports to impose burdens on PREPA that are inconsistent with, not authorized by, or exceed those required by the Governing Rules. In responding to the Topics, and unless otherwise noted, PREPA will construe all words

in accordance with their ordinary English meaning, as informed by the Governing Rules.

- 5. PREPA objects to the Deposition Notice, and to each and every Topic, to the extent they place an unreasonable burden on PREPA, including without limitation by seeking information that is equally or more readily available from public sources or that is already available to the Committee.
- 6. PREPA objects to the Deposition Notice, and to each and every Topic, to the extent they expressly or impliedly seek information protected from disclosure by the Attorney-Client Privilege, the Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. Nothing in the Responses and Objections is intended as, nor shall in any way be deemed, a waiver of any of these privileges, doctrines, or immunities. Information protected by these privileges, doctrines, or immunities is not subject to disclosure, and PREPA will not provide it. PREPA intends to and does assert any and all such privileges with respect to all such information.
- 7. PREPA objects to the Deposition Notice, and to each and every Topic, to the extent that it lacks the "reasonable particularity" required by Rule 30(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, so as to make it impossible to identify the limits of the inquiry, and to make the topics so overbroad as to be impossible to address by deposition testimony.
- 8. PREPA objects to the Deposition Notice, and to each and every Topic, as unduly burdensome to the extent that it requests PREPA give testimony on topics that are beyond its knowledge.
- 9. PREPA objects to the Deposition Notice, and to each and every Topic, as overbroad and unduly burdensome to the extent that it purports to require PREPA to provide

testimony concerning "all" or "any" information concerning a topic, so as to make it impossible to identify the limits of the inquiry, and to make the topics so overbroad as to be impossible to address by deposition testimony.

- 10. PREPA objects to the Deposition Notice, and to each and every Topic, to the extent they seek information that is confidential or proprietary in nature, or otherwise constitute protected commercial, strategic, financial, or competitively sensitive or trade secret information.
- 11. PREPA objects to the Deposition Notice, and to each and every Topic, to the extent that they (i) imply the existence of facts or circumstances that do not or did not exist, or (ii) state or assume legal or factual conclusions. By providing the Responses and Objections, PREPA does not admit any factual or legal premise in the Deposition Notice and Topics.
- 12. To the extent any term defined or used in the Deposition Notice is used in responding to the Topics, it is not accepted or conceded that any such term or definition is appropriate, descriptive, or accurate.
- 13. PREPA objects to the Deposition Notice, and to each and every Topic, as unduly burdensome to the extent that they are cumulative or duplicative of other discovery requests served upon PREPA or other parties.
- 14. PREPA objects to the Deposition Notice, and to each and every Topic, to the extent they seek information for an undefined or unstated period of time on the grounds that it is vague, ambiguous, overbroad, unduly burdensome and oppressive, and seeks information not relevant to the subject matter of the Rule 9019 Motion and Supplemental Memorandum nor reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence.
- 15. PREPA objects to the instruction on page 2 of the Deposition Notice to the extent it purports to require PREPA to produce any documents beyond what it has agreed to produce in

response to the Committee's requests for production of documents dated May 22, 2019 and July 5, 2019.

- 16. PREPA objects to the definition of the term "AAFAF" as overbroad because that term encompasses individuals and entities without regard to their connection or relevance to the Rule 9019 Motion and Supplemental Memorandum. In responding to the Topics, PREPA will construe "AAFAF" to mean AAFAF and its members and employees reasonably likely to possess information relevant to the Rule 9019 Motion and Supplemental Memorandum.
- 17. PREPA objects to the definition of the terms "PREPA," "You," and "Your" as overbroad because they encompass individuals and entities without regard to their connection or relevance to the Rule 9019 Motion and Supplemental Memorandum. In responding to the Topics, PREPA will construe "PREPA," "You," and "Your" to mean PREPA and its members and employees reasonably likely to possess information relevant to the Rule 9019 Motion and Supplemental Memorandum.
- 18. PREPA objects to the definition of the term "Proposed Transformation" as vague, ambiguous, and overbroad. PREPA will construe "Proposed Transformation" to refer to the potential transformation described in the Market Sounding Letter dated June 4, 2018, as posted on the official website of the Puerto Rico Public-Private Partnerships Authority at <a href="http://www.p3.pr.gov/prepa-transformation.html">http://www.p3.pr.gov/prepa-transformation.html</a>.
- 19. PREPA objects to the definition of the term "Supporting Holders" as overbroad because that term encompasses individuals and entities without regard to their connection or relevance to the Rule 9019 Motion and Supplemental Memorandum. In responding to the Topics, PREPA will construe "Supporting Holders" to mean the supporting holders of the RSA, as defined by the preamble of the RSA, as well as their members and employees reasonably

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likely to possess information relevant to the Rule 9019 Motion and Supplemental Memorandum.

- 20. The Responses and Objections are made without waiving, or intending to waive, but, on the contrary, expressly reserving: (a) the right to object on the grounds of competency, privilege, relevancy, materiality, admissibility as evidence for any purpose, or any other proper grounds, to the use of any information obtained hereunder or the subject matter thereof, in whole or in part, at any trial or hearing related in the above-captioned case or in any related or subsequent action or proceeding; (b) the right to object on any and all grounds, at any time, to other discovery requests or procedures involving or relating to the subject matter of the Topics or otherwise; and (c) the right at any time to revise, amend, correct, supplement, or clarify the Responses and Objections.
- 21. The Responses and Objections should not be construed as: (a) an admission as to the propriety of any Topic; (b) an agreement as to erroneous assumptions or incorrect factual predicates contained in any Topic; (c) an acknowledgement that information responsive to any Topic exists; (d) a waiver of the general objections or the objections asserted in response to specific Topics; (e) an admission as to the relevance or admissibility into evidence of any information; (f) an admission, concession, or waiver as to the validity of any claim or defense asserted in this litigation; or (g) an agreement that requests for similar information will be treated in a similar manner. Nothing in the Responses and Objections is intended to waive, and PREPA expressly reserves, the right to file a motion to quash the Topics and/or to seek a protective order.
- 22. The above general objections are incorporated into each of the following specific objections.

# SPECIFIC RESPONSES AND OBJECTIONS TO DEPOSITION TOPICS DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 1:

The terms, negotiation, and drafting of the RSA, Preliminary RSA, and Settlement, and communications with the Supporting Holders and other parties relating thereto.

# **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 1:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 1 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA also objects to this Topic because it is unduly burdensome and unnecessary to prepare a witness on a topic that could be more efficiently addressed through the production of documents. PREPA further objects to this Topic on the ground that it seeks testimony that is not relevant to the issues before the Court in connection with the Rule 9019 Motion and the Supplemental Memorandum.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing general and specific objections, PREPA will produce a witness to offer relevant, non-privileged, and non-objectionable testimony regarding its discussions with representatives of objectors to the Rule 9019 Motion, with the Ad Hoc Group of PREPA Bondholders between March 1, 2018 and July 27, 2018, and with Assured between March 1, 2018 and March 25, 2019.

# **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 2:**

The costs and benefits of the RSA and Settlement to the Oversight Board, PREPA, AAFAF, the other title III debtors, the debtors' creditors, and/or the people of Puerto Rico and its economy.

# **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 2:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 2 to the extent it seeks

information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA further objects to this Topic to the extent it seeks testimony that is not within PREPA's knowledge. PREPA further objects to this Topic on the ground that it seeks testimony that is not relevant to the issues before the Court in connection with the Rule 9019 Motion and the Supplemental Memorandum.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing general and specific objections, PREPA will produce a witness to offer relevant, non-privileged, and non-objectionable testimony regarding the costs and benefits of the RSA and Settlement to PREPA.

# **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 3:**

The costs and benefits of the RSA and Settlement to the Supporting Holders.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 3:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 3 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA further objects to this Topic to the extent it seeks testimony that is not within PREPA's knowledge.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing general and specific objections, PREPA will produce a witness to offer relevant, non-privileged, and non-objectionable testimony related to this Topic.

# **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 4:**

Alternative restructuring or litigation strategies or transactions considered for PREPA,

including without limitation any alternative strategies or transactions that would have provided value to PREPA's unsecured creditors.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 4:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 4 as protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA further objects to this Topic on the ground that it seeks testimony that is not relevant to the issues before the Court in connection with the Rule 9019 Motion and the Supplemental Memorandum.

#### **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 5:**

PREPA's consideration and approval of the RSA, Preliminary RSA, and Settlement.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 5:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 5 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing general and specific objections, PREPA will produce a witness to offer relevant, non-privileged, and non-objectionable testimony related to this Topic.

#### **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 6:**

The ability of Puerto Rico's electric system to absorb and pass on the Settlement Charge and the Transition Charge—as referred to in paragraph 9 of the Rule 9019 Motion—as well as any other or additional rate surcharges, and the impact of the Settlement on the cost of electricity for PREPA's customers.

# **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 6:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 6 to the extent it seeks

information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA also objects to this Topic on the ground that it seeks testimony that is not relevant to the issues before the Court in connection with the Rule 9019 Motion and the Supplemental Memorandum, particularly since the 9019 Motion does not seek approval from the Title III Court for the Settlement Charge, the Transition Charge, or any other rate surcharges.

#### **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 7:**

The status of the Proposed Transformation and the impact of the RSA and Settlement upon the Proposed Transformation.

# **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 7:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 7 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing general and specific objections, PREPA will produce a witness to offer relevant, non-privileged, and non-objectionable testimony related to this Topic.

#### **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 8:**

The nature, extent, and value of any security interest that PREPA Bondholders hold in assets of PREPA and analysis as to whether the PREPA Bondholders have meritorious defenses as to whether their security interests are valid.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 8:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 8 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the

Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA further objects to this Topic to the extent it seeks testimony regarding information that is not within PREPA's possession, custody, or control. PREPA further objects to this Topic to the extent it improperly seeks witness testimony that would call for a legal conclusion.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing general and specific objections, PREPA will produce a witness to offer relevant, non-privileged, and non-objectionable testimony regarding PREPA's decision to settle the Lien Challenge in light of the Bondholders' positions regarding their security interests.

#### **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 9:**

The provisions of the PREPA Trust Agreement relating to the establishment of funds for the receipt of PREPA revenues and the identification and nature of any related deposit or securities accounts.

# **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 9:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 9 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA also objects to this Topic because it is unduly burdensome and unnecessary to prepare a witness on a topic that could be more efficiently addressed through the production of documents, which have already been produced. PREPA further objects to this Topic to the extent it calls for a legal conclusion.

#### **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 10:**

Your analysis concerning projected demand forecasts, sales forecasts, revenue forecasts, electricity pricing forecasts, and related assumptions for electricity in Puerto Rico including the effect, if any, of the Settlement (including the Settlement Charge and/or the Transition Charge)

on such forecasts and assumptions.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 10:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 10 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA also objects to this Topic on the ground that it seeks testimony that is not relevant to the issues before the Court in connection with the Rule 9019 Motion and the Supplemental Memorandum, particularly since the 9019 Motion does not seek approval from the Title III Court for the Settlement Charge or the Transition Charge.

# **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 11:**

The nature and status of any legislation or regulatory approval necessary for the implementation of the RSA or Settlement.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 11:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 11 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA also objects to this Topic on the ground that it seeks testimony that is not relevant to the issues before the Court in connection with the Rule 9019 Motion and the Supplemental Memorandum.

#### **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 12:**

PREPA's current and future net revenues and expenses.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 12:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 12 to the extent it seeks

information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA further objects to this Topic because it is unduly burdensome and unnecessary to prepare a witness on a topic that could be more efficiently addressed through the production of documents, which have already been produced. PREPA further objects to this Topic on the ground that it seeks testimony that is not relevant to the issues before the Court in connection with the Rule 9019 Motion and the Supplemental Memorandum. PREPA is willing to meet and confer regarding the scope of this Topic.

#### **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 13:**

The funds and accounts described in the Trust Agreement and all revenues in such funds and accounts from the PREPA title III petition date to the present.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 13:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 13 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA further objects to this Topic because it is unduly burdensome and unnecessary to prepare a witness on a topic that could be more efficiently addressed through the production of documents, which have already been produced. PREPA further objects to this Topic on the ground that it seeks testimony that is not relevant to the issues before the Court in connection with the Rule 9019 Motion and the Supplemental Memorandum.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing general and specific objections, PREPA is willing to meet and confer regarding the scope of this Topic.

#### **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 14:**

The nature of your relationship and terms of any engagement letter or agreement with Ankura Consulting Group, LLC or any other advisor that has provided services in connection with the RSA, Settlement, or Proposed Transformation.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 14:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 14 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA further objects to this Topic on the ground that it does not seek information that is relevant or reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence relevant to the Rule 9019 Motion or the Supplemental Memorandum.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing general and specific objections, PREPA will produce a witness to offer relevant, non-privileged, and non-objectionable testimony related to this Topic.

# **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 15:**

The documents produced by You in response to the Committee's requests for the production of documents in connection with the Rule 9019 Motion.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 15:**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 15 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. In addition, PREPA objects to this Topic as vague, ambiguous, and overbroad in its reference to each and every document PREPA has produced to the Committee in connection with the Rule

9019 Motion.

Subject to and without waiving the foregoing general and specific objections, PREPA is willing to meet and confer regarding the scope of this Topic.

#### **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 16:**

Your document retention systems and policies and any systems or policies relating to electronic device ownership and usage, including email, text messages, and other forms of communication applicable to You and Your representatives and advisors.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 16**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 16 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA further objects to this Topic on the ground that it does not seek information that is relevant or reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence relevant to the Rule 9019 Motion or the Supplemental Memorandum. PREPA further objects to this Topic on the ground that it seeks improper "discovery about discovery." See Hanan v. Corso, 1998 WL 429841, at \*7 (D.D.C. Apr. 24, 1998) (finding "discovery about discovery" improper); Fish v. Air & Liquid Sys. Corp., 2017 WL 697663, at \*17-18 (D. Md. Feb. 21, 2017) (discovery about discovery is "strongly discouraged"); see also In re Jemsek Clinic, P.A., 2013 WL 3994666, at \*7-9 (Bankr. W.D.N.C. 2013) (explaining that a party's "efforts in identifying, preserving, collecting, and producing documents" are "simply not relevant" to the claims or defenses absent "real proof that documents and information were willfully destroyed"). PREPA further objects that having to prepare a witness on this Topic would be unduly burdensome and disproportionate to the needs of the case.

#### **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 17:**

The process You followed to collect, search, and review documents in response to the Committee's document requests.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 17**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 17 to the extent it seeks information protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. PREPA further objects to this Topic on the ground that it does not seek information that is relevant or reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence relevant to the Rule 9019 Motion or the Supplemental Memorandum. PREPA further objects to this Topic on the ground that it seeks improper "discovery about discovery." See Hanan v. Corso, 1998 WL 429841, at \*7 (D.D.C. Apr. 24, 1998) (finding "discovery about discovery" improper); Fish v. Air & Liquid Sys. Corp., 2017 WL 697663, at \*17-18 (D. Md. Feb. 21, 2017) (discovery about discovery is "strongly discouraged"); see also In re Jemsek Clinic, P.A., 2013 WL 3994666, at \*7-9 (Bankr. W.D.N.C. 2013) (explaining that a party's "efforts in identifying, preserving, collecting, and producing documents" are "simply not relevant" to the claims or defenses absent "real proof that documents and information were willfully destroyed"). PREPA further objects that having to prepare a witness on this Topic would be unduly burdensome and disproportionate to the needs of the case.

#### **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 18:**

Your responses to the Committee's interrogatories in connection with the Rule 9019 Motion.

#### **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 18**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 18 as protected by the

Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure. In addition, PREPA objects to this Topic as vague and ambiguous in its general reference to PREPA's responses to the Committee's interrogatories in connection with the Rule 9019 Motion.

# **DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 19:**

The preparation of the Supplemental Submission and the arguments and assertions contained therein regarding the benefits of the Settlement and why the movants believe the Rule 9019 Motion should be granted by the Court.

# **RESPONSE TO DEPOSITION TOPIC NO. 19**

In addition to its general objections, PREPA objects to Topic No. 19 as protected by the Attorney-Client Privilege, Attorney Work-Product Doctrine, the Executive and Deliberative Process Privileges, the Common Interest Privilege, or any other applicable privileges, doctrines, or immunities protecting information from disclosure.

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